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Title: L-SELECTIN CONTRAST AGENTS

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to calculating the national fee, and prior to examination in the National Phase of the above-identified International application, please amend as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

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17. (Amended) Contrast media according to claim 1, wherein the receptor is coupled with the aid of a coupling group to the signal unit.